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Bohr Hypothesis:

Compound reaction has relative decay probabilities independent of entrance channel.

Weisskopf Ewing (1940):

$$\sigma(E) \propto \sigma_{inv}(E) E \rho(E^*-B-E)$$

No *J* or π dependence

Often unreliable for smaller decay channels

Hauser Feshbach (1952)

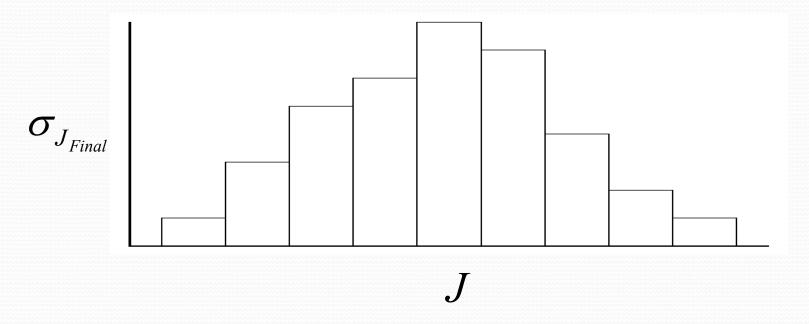
• Wolfenstein (1952):

$$\frac{\pi x^2}{(2I_1+1)(2I_2+1)} \left(\sum \frac{(2J+1)T_{in}T_{out}}{\sum T_{out}} \right)$$

Sum is over compound nuclear J and parity π

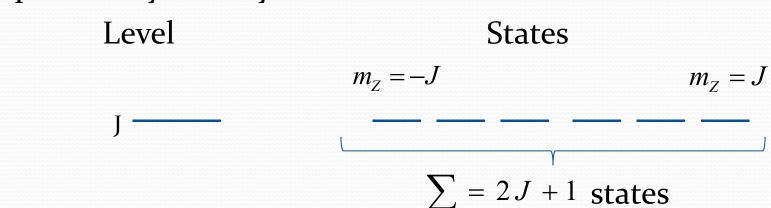
No specifications of *K* (spin projection on symmetry axis)

Decay: If $J_{\it final} < \ell_{\it max}$ and $J_{\it final} < J_{\it comp}$ then σ to that level is proportional to $2J_{\it final} + 1$



Maximum
$$\sigma$$
 for $J_{\mathit{Final}} \approx \ell_{\mathit{max}}$

Spherical symmetry:



Deformed nuclei:
$$\pm 5/2 = K$$
 $5/2 = J$ $\pm 3/2 = K$ $5/2 = J$ $\pm 1/2 = K$ $5/2 = J$

New approach to Hauser Feshbach

$$T_{in} \rightarrow \langle jm_{j}J_{+}K_{+} | J_{c}K_{c} \rangle^{2} T_{in} \qquad J_{+} = J_{in}$$

$$T_{out} \rightarrow \langle j_{out}m_{j_{out}}J_{f}K_{f} | J_{c}K_{c} \rangle^{2} T_{out} \qquad K_{+} = K_{in}$$

Population distribution is similar Compound J distribution is similar K degeneracy is broken

Decay ratios differ

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o, 2, 4, 6 sequence in spherical nucleus has 1:5:9:13 for population ratio Deformed nucleus has K=0 band so each level is non-degenerate
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Ratio: 1:1:1:1

Cross Section Ratio Values for n + ¹⁸²W

Reaction	Bombarding Energy (MeV)						
	0.5	1	4	10	14		
(n,α) (n,p)	1.67	1.77	1.85 0.98	1.51 1.0	1.3 1.0		
(n,2n) (n,nα+αn)					0.97 1.82		
(n,γ) (n,n) J=o K=o+	1.12 0.56	1.07 0.52	1.03 0.36	0.27	0.24		
(n,n') J=2 K=0 ⁺ (n,n') J=4 K=0 ⁺	2.12 3.25	2.21 3.44	1.25 2.84	1.26 2.15	1.14 1.96		
(n,n') J=6 K=0+ (n,n') J=0 K=0+		3.56	3·75 0.377	2.93 0.273	2.71 0.24		
(n,n') J=8 K=0 ⁺ (n,n') J=2 K=2 ⁺			3.6 0.75	3·59 0.59	3.58 0.54		

Cross Section Ratio Values for n + ¹⁸³W

Reaction	Bombarding Energy (MeV)						
	0.6	1	4	7	14		
(n,α) (n,p)	1.9	2.05	2.2	2.0 1.0	1.46 1.0		
(n,2n) (n,nα+αn)				1.07 1.52	1.01 1.44		
(n,γ) $(n,n) J=1/2 K=1/2^{-1}$	1.1 0.18	1.04 0.19	1.015 0.18	1.01 0.16	0.13		
(n,n') J=3/2 K=1/2 ⁻ (n,n') J=5/2 K=1/2 ⁻	0.68 1.14	0.71 1.18	0.59 1.0	0.47 0.81	0.37 0.64		
(n,n') J=7/2 K=1/2 ⁻ (n,n') J=3/2 K=3/2 ⁻	1.6 0.5	1.61 0.61	1.18 0.54	1.12 0.46	o.88 o.38		
(n,n') J=5/2 K=3/2 ⁻ (n,n') J=9/2 K=1/2 ⁻			3.6 0.75	3.59 0.59	3.58 0.54		
$(n,n') J=11/2 K=11/2^+$	0.56	0.65	1.05	0.94	0.83		

All levels with K = 0 have degeneracy one

All levels with $K \neq 0$ have degeneracy two

For levels $\geq \sim 1.5$ MeV above threshold reduces range of sigma values – enhances those with small J

K mixing important as energy increases

Matrix elements ~ 10 keV couple (J,K) states to (J,K-1) and (J,K+1)

New code allows for mixing

Expect mixing ≈ 0 for U < 4 MeV and U > 30 MeV

Level Density low for U < 4 MeV

Decay width large for U > 30 MeV

Introduction of mixing does not restore spherical limit

Isospin Mixing:

Also involves addition of Clebsch-Gordan coefficients

Proton incident on target with N > Z

Target isospin
$$T_0 = T_Z = \frac{N-Z}{2}$$

Proton has
$$T = 1/2, T_z = -1/2$$

Coupling:
$$\frac{1}{2T_0 + 1}$$
 to $\frac{T = T_0 + 1/2}{T_Z = T_0 - 1/2}$ $\frac{2T_0}{2T_0 + 1}$ to $\frac{T = T_0 - 1/2}{T_Z = T_0 - 1/2}$

Decay of
$$T = T_0 + 1/2$$
 is mostly protons

Decay of
$$T = T_0 - 1/2$$
 is mostly neutrons

Ratio of level densities is large

Energy shift

$$\Delta E = a_a \left[-\frac{(N-Z)^2}{A} + \frac{(N-Z+2)^2}{A} \right] \approx 24 \left[\frac{4(N-Z)+4}{A} \right]$$

for
$$A \approx 40$$
 $\Delta E \approx 6 \text{ MeV}$

$$A \approx 100 \quad \Delta E \approx 9 \text{ MeV}$$

$$A \approx 200 \quad \Delta E \approx 19 \text{ MeV}$$

Level density ratio
$$A \approx 40 \qquad R = 60$$
$$A \approx 100 \qquad R = 2.2 \times 10^4$$
$$A \approx 200 \qquad R > 10^{10}$$

All mixing is down

$$R = \frac{\left(\frac{\sigma(p, p')}{\sigma(p, \alpha)}\right)}{\left(\frac{\sigma(\alpha, p)}{\sigma(\alpha, \alpha')}\right)} > 1 \quad \text{for proton and alpha induced reactions through the same compound nucleus}$$

Angular Momentum Effects

- •Without isospin $R \approx 1.15$
- •With isospin conserved $(A \approx 60) R \approx 1.7$
- •Experiment $R \approx 1.45$
- •Result: Mixing ~ 50% before decay
- •Measurements for $E \sim 18-22 \text{ MeV}$
- •Show mixing is 40-60% for A $\sim 60-70$
- •If mixing is 100%, recover result of Hauser-Feshbach code without isospin

K mixing differs

- •Only two values of T many values of K
- •Big difference in branching ratios for two T values
- •Smaller difference for K
- •Mixing in both directions for K only one direction for T
- •Complete *K* mixing does not restore spherical limit

Bohr and Mottelson (vol. II, pg. 39) state that $\rho(U,J)$ for deformed nucleus is

$$\sigma_{\perp}^2 \rho_s(U,J)$$

(σ_{\perp}^2 times spherical)

Direct calculation shows that both J and K dependence differ from Bohr-Mottelson result.

SUMMARY

- •New approach proposed for Hauser Feshbach calculations in deformed nuclei
- •Can accommodate both spherical and deformed nuclei in same calculation
- •Code is slower (~8x) than conventional HF
- •Cross sections for low J enhanced and for large J are reduced
- •Cross sections for (n,2n), (n,p) and (n, γ) change less; similar changes in $^{183}W(n,n')$, $^{168}Er(n,n')$, $^{22}Ne(\alpha,n)$ and $^{25}Mg(n,n')$.

SUMMARY (Continued)

- Look at effects on surrogate reactions
- •Code improvements:
 - •Add isospin to code
 - •Add fission channel
 - •Add Angular distributions

The End

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